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EXCELLENCE IN DESIGN

The AIA Nevada Design Awards Program is a celebration of "Excellence In Design". The Lloyd D. George Federal Courthouse is a fine example. The project was awarded an AIA Nevada Honor Award in the Built Category at this year's Design Awards Banquet and Presentation Ceremony on Saturday, October 13th. Designed by Mehrdad Yazdani, AIA, Cannon Dworsky designed the project in a joint venture with Harry Campbell Architects.

A complete list of all the award recipients is included inside this issue. The project display boards of all 55 submittals in the program will be on exhibit at the UNLV Architecture Studies Library beginning Thursday, October 18th.

In 2002 the AIA Nevada Design Awards will be hosted by AIA Northern Nevada in Reno, NV.



AIA LAS VEGAS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DAVID FROMMER, AIA
PRESIDENT, AIA LAS VEGAS

With the fall season in place in Southern Nevada, AIA Las Vegas members were treated to the 2001 AIA Las Vegas

Architecture Week proceedings and the 2001 AIA Nevada Design and Distinguished Service Awards. Architecture Week had some great successes this year, with an exceptional CANstruction program conducted in partnership with the Las Vegas Chapter of the Society of Design Administrators, the AIA Las Vegas "Built Environment" Photo Show and exhibits of UNLV student work throughout the valley.

The 2001 AIA Nevada Design and Distinguished Service Awards program had a particularly fitting tribute to our friend and colleague, Homer Rissman, AIA, who was awarded the AIA Nevada Silver Medal by appointment of the AIA Nevada Board of Directors. It was a honor to have Homer's wife, Alice, accept the award and offer kind words to the audience and the AIA Nevada membership, with an elegance and gentle demeanor that befits Homer and his gracious family. It was clear that all in attendance had nothing but the highest order of respect for Homer and his family, and we have sadly lost a true friend and an honored colleague. It is evident that we are all the richer for having known Homer Rissman, AIA.

The Distinguished Service Awards portion of the program honored several outstanding individuals who have been of service to the profession, the community and academia. As one of the individuals selected for a Nevada Service Award, I state with great respect that it was an honor to stand beside the fellow Distinguished Service Award recipients.

The Design Awards portion of the program served to recognize projects that were scrutinized by an experienced and respected jury. I have great pride for all of the design award recipients and all of the design award participants, knowing the extraordinary time and effort each individual and each organization put into the projects and the submittals that represented these projects.

It is important to mention that all the projects that were submitted and awarded were collaborative efforts. As architects and design professionals, it is our responsibility to serve as the leaders and orchestrators of the design process and the implementation of the design. But our success is contingent on the determined efforts of design/engineering consultants, contractors, municipal officials, product representative and manufacturers and all others who participate in the design and construction process. And of course, without the patronage, insight and trust of our valued clients, design and design awards would have little or no meaning.

I hope the 2001 AIA Nevada Design and Distinguished Service Awards were as meaningful to you as they were to me. It is always a pleasure and an honor to assemble with the AIA Nevada membership and their guests to celebrate excellence in design and service and to come together for an evening of celebration of the profession of architecture.

NEW AIA MEMBERS:

We are very pleased to welcome these new members to the AIA Las Vegas Chapter.

Architects:

Garry Hoholik, AIA
The Richardson Partnership

Associates:

Patrick Castellano, Assoc. AIA
Welles Pugsley Architects

Allied:

Tricia Mellon
Dunn-Edwards Paints

BRIEFS:

Ninjo & Moore provided design geotechnical services for the Buffalo Drive Improvements project, which included design and construction of approximately 3 miles of roadway improvements along Buffalo Drive from Sahara Avenue to Tropicana. * Samuel D. Palmer, P.E., C.E.M., has joined the Terracon team as the Vice President/Division Manager for their new Southwest Division. * Harris Consulting Engineers (HCE) worked with Swisher & Hall on the Consolidated Car Rental Facility, located near McCarran Airport. JMA Architecture Studios has announced that of Kellie Wanbaugh and Lori Gordillo have received their RID (Registered Interior Designer) license. Converse Consultants is pleased to announce the addition of John Letkeman to their Las Vegas environmental staff as the new Senior Air Quality Manager.

GARLOCK & SNYDER TO RUN

On Sunday, November 4th, 2001, George Garlock and Bill Snyder (illustrious AIA Past Presidents and supportive members) will be running in the New York City Marathon.

They are dedicating the 26.2 mile run to collecting donations for the "Twin Towers Fund", an united and coordinated effort to assist victims of the September 11 disaster. Please join them in this effort. To support this initiative, make your donation payable to "Twin Towers Fund" and mail to either

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THE 2001 AIA NEVADA 'EXCELLENCE IN DESIGN AWARDS

The recipients of this year's Design Awards were announced at the banquet and presentation ceremony held at the Rio Grand Ballroom on Saturday, October 13th. They are as follows:

ACADEMIC CATEGORY

Citation Award -

"Las Vegas Monorail Stop"

Daniel Chenin

3rd Year Architecture Student
UNLV School of Architecture

Honor Award -

"Sustainable Re-urbanization"

Lance Kirk, Assoc. AIA

Lucchesi Galati Architects

UNBUILT CATEGORY

Citation Award -

"University Auxiliary Services Building;
California State University, Los Angeles"
Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects

in association with Wou & Partners

Design Team: Windom Kimsey, AIA, Michael Rose, AIA,
Simon Kim, AIA, Kevin Daly, AIA, Onidio Mirabal

Interior Designer: Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects

Landscape Architect: Fong Hart & Schneider

Structural/Electrical/Mechanical Engineer: ARUP

Civil Engineer: ASL Consulting Engineers

Owner/Developer: University Auxiliary Services, California
State University, Los Angeles

Honor Award -

"Mesquite Heritage Museum and Art Center"

Mesquite, NV

ericSTRAIN Architect

Design Team: Eric Strain, Doug Schneider and Adrian Jones

Landscape Architect: ericSTRAIN Architect

Structural Engineer: Mendenhall Smith

Electrical Engineer: T.J. Krob

Mechanical Engineer: Petty & Associates

Owner/Developer: City of Mesquite - Leonard Morrow
& John Nyberg

Honor Award -

"Lynn Bennett Early Childhood Development Center"

UNLV Campus, Las Vegas, NV

ericSTRAIN Architect

Design Team: Eric Strain, Doug Schneider, Adrian
Jones and Jose Gamez / Dan Chenin

Landscape Architect: MLA, ericSTRAIN Architect and
Dan Ortega

Structural Engineer: Mendenhall Smith

Electrical Engineer: T.J. Krob

Mechanical Engineer: Petty & Associates

Civil Engineer: CivilWorks, Inc.

Owner/Developer: University of Nevada, Las Vegas

BUILT CATEGORY

Citation Award -

"Clark County Inspections & Satellite Permit Facility"

Las Vegas, NV

Welles-Pugsley Architects

Design Team: Dave Pugsley, AIA - Principal-in-Charge

Sean Coulter, AIA - Design Architect

Interior Designers: Parker /Scaggiari - Darrell Parker

Landscape Architects: J.W. Zunino - Dan Hill

Structural Engineers: Mendenhall Smith

Electrical Engineers: T.J. Krob

Mechanical Engineers: Petty & Associates

Civil Engineers: C.W. Group

General Contractor: Pace Contracting

Owner / Developer - Clark County

Honor Award -

"Serenity Hall Memorial Chapel"

Spencer W. Kimball Scout Reservation on Mt. Potosi

KGA Architecture

Design Team: Ed Kitrell, Jr. AIA - Founding Principal

George F. Garlock, AIA - Founding Principal

James C. Lord, II, AIA - Design Architect

Kent LeFevre, AIA - Project Architect

Anthony Young - Designer

Structural Engineer: G.C. Wallace Consulting Engineers

Civil Engineer: G.C. Wallace Consulting Engineers

Owner / Developer: Boy Scouts of America

Honor Award -

"Lloyd D. George Federal Courthouse"

Las Vegas, NV

Cannon-Dworsky / Harry Campbell Architects

Design Team: Mehrdad Yazdani, Daniel Dworsky, Harry

Campbell, Robert Levine, Robert Rosenberg, Craig

Norman, Ken Rossi, Craig Booth, James Braam, John

Frane, Bung Ko, Ira Mann, Mario Nimitz, Hadrian

Perdock, Rey Sacilio.

Landscape Architect: J.W. Zunino Associates

Electrical Engineer: Southland Industries

Mechanical Engineer: Southland Industries

Civil Engineer: Kimley-Horn & Associates

The project display boards for each of the entries in this year's program will be on display at the UNLV Architecture Studies Library in the School of Architecture beginning Thursday, October 18th.

2001 MEETINGS AND EVENTS

NOVEMBER MEETING "THE WRITTEN WORD"

The November membership meeting will be a tribute to the written word. AIA Las Vegas is pleased to welcome the members of the Western region conference of Art and Architecture Librarians, being hosted by UNLV Architecture Studies Librarian, Jeanne Brown. Reed Kroloff, esteemed design editor of "Architecture" Magazine will be the guest speaker who will discuss various aspects of the wondrous city of Las Vegas. In addition, the November issue of our own "Architecture Las Vegas" magazine will be available for members and guests.

The meeting is being sponsored by Mercury / LDO Reprographics, MSA Engineering Electrical Consultants and Fielden & Partners. The reception starts at 6PM and the program begins at 7PM. Make plans to attend. Call 895-0936 to RSVP.

DECEMBER HOLIDAY CELEBRATION AT THE PALMS

\$25.00 for Members/ \$75.00 Guests

The increased expenses of providing a nice Holiday Celebration for our members, has necessitated the addition of a \$25.00 charge for members to attend the December meeting. Guest charge will remain at \$75.00. So, for \$100.00 you and your guest can enjoy a fine holiday meal and celebration with your friends and associates, and the Chapter can provide an excellent meeting without going into debt to do so.

You might also plan to do a little Holiday shopping -- A special "Holiday Gifts" Silent Auction is planned, with a portion of the proceeds being donated to a local children's charity. Make your plans to attend now. Call the AIA office at 895-0936 to make your RSVP for yourself and your guest.

The end-of-the-year Holiday Celebration is being held at one of the newest and most exciting new hotels in Las Vegas -- THE PALMS - A KGA Architecture project. We'll have music, the swearing-in of the new 2002 Board of Directors, thanks to all who have helped to make this a great year anda lot of laughs too.

The celebration will be held on Wednesday, December 19th with reception beginning at 6PM, dinner at 7PM and the program at 8PM. Currently the sponsors for this great event are Carson Construction Company, ABF Consulting Engineers, KRACOR, Inc., MSA Engineering Electrical Consultants and Professional Design Associates. Additional sponsors are needed and are welcomed. Call 895-0936 to make your reservations for this exceptional year-end event.



2002 AIA LAS VEGAS

R. Brandon Sprague, AIA
President-Elect 2002

2002 will be a year of discovery; a time to focus on the flipside of the neon...on the aspect of nature and the setting of our daily lives in this low desert valley. Next year brings forth several events providing practical information coupled with ample excitement. There will be an emphasis on the history of our city, exploring our environment and sustainability in general. We are currently planning tours of recently completed facilities, along with opportunities for presentations of current work by our members which will be the catalyst for a forum of open discussion and interaction, and even an evening at the opera about Frank Lloyd Wright.

With the start of a new year we have new opportunities, to thank and recognize those who support us, our allied members and sponsors, finding additional ways to acknowledge their generosity. We will focus on activities that allow them to present their products and services, while remaining true to the theory of inspiration of useful knowledge connected with fun.

We trust that this up-coming year will be entertaining as well as educational for the entire membership. However, 2002 will only be as successful as you, the members, make it by participating. I would appreciate any comments or suggestions; this will allow us to customize 2002 to fit the needs of the entire membership.



COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER NEEDED

The AIA Las Vegas and AIA Nevada Chapters are in desperate need of a technology expert....a computer guru who has the TIME and can make the COMMITMENT to work with the Chapter to design and maintain our internet presence. This person would not only design of the web pages, but would also provide innovative consulting on how our web presence can be enhanced and constructed to generate income for the Chapters. An proficiency in "E-Commerce" is necessary as well as a thorough knowledge of emerging technologies. Integration of current AIA publications - The Forum, monthly newsletter and Architecture Las Vegas Magazine - will also be included.

Estimated time commitment is 10 to 15 hours per week on a committed VOLUNTEER basis. So, if you are interested and would like to discuss further, please contact Randy Lavigne, Executive Director - 895-0936.



AIA Las Vegas

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

"The Importance of the Written Word"

REED KROLOFF

Design Editor – ARCHITECTURE MAGAZINE

Welcome Reception for
Western Region Conference of Art and Architecture Librarians

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PLUS --- Pick up YOUR copy of the
November issue of
"Architecture Las Vegas" Magazine
The official publication of AIA Las Vegas

Thursday, November 8th, 2001

UNLV School of Architecture
Lobby & Library

Reception – 6:00 PM / Program – 7:00PM

* REGISTERED FOR 2 AIA C.E. CREDITS *

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2002 MEETINGS AND EVENTS

2002 Meetings & Events Calendar

Dates and events on this planning calendar are subject to change.
Watch for additions and updates / Locations will be advised

JANUARY

Wed. Jan. 16

AIA Membership Meeting "Las Vegas – Past, Present, Future" Panel Discussion –

FEBRUARY

Wed. Feb. 20

AIA Membership Meeting – Frank Lloyd Wright Opera – "Shining Brow" – Ham Hall/UNLV

Feb. 27 - Mar. 3 AIA Grassroots Conference – Washington, DC

MARCH

Wed. Mar. 20

AIA Membership Meeting – "Sustainability – The Weidt Group (Location TBD)

APRIL

Sat. Apr. 13

AIA Membership Meeting "AIA National Design Committee Conference" - Lied Library (Predock Library)

Fri. Apr. 19 Annual AIA Spring Putting Tournament – Angel Park Golf Course

Wed. Apr. 24 AIA High School Design Awards – UNLV Library

MAY

May 9-12 AIA National Convention – Charlotte, NC

Wed. May 22

AIA Membership Meeting – "Practice Liability" 10 Things That Can Go Wrong"

JUNE

Fri. June 7 Annual AIA Golf Tournament – Location TBD

Wed. June 19 AIA Membership Meeting – "Picnic and Show at Spring Mountain Ranch

JULY Vacation-time – No Meeting Scheduled

AUGUST

Aug. 15-18 CACE Conference – Park City Utah

SEPTEMBER

Fri. Sept. 6 AIA Fall Putting Tournament – Angel Park Golf Course

TBD Western Mountain Region Conference

Wed. Sept. 18 AIA Membership Meeting "Education of an Architect" Display – Showcase of Student Work

OCTOBER

Tue. Oct. 15 AIA Membership Meeting "2002 AIA Las Vegas Product Show" – Riviera Royale Pavilion

NOVEMBER

Wed. Nov. 13 AIA Membership Meeting – "Regional Justice Center Tour" -

DECEMBER

Wed. Dec. 11 Holiday Celebration & Installation of Officers for 2003

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SECURITY BY DESIGN

Insights and Best Practices

The events of September 11, 2001 bring into sharp focus the need for architects to be aware of the security features that need to be incorporated into the design of buildings. Understandably, the need for security must be balanced with our cherished values of openness and accessibility in a free society. Architects and building owners now face new challenges to design, redesign and operate buildings to help protect the health, safety and welfare of occupants, visitors and the public. In response to many members' requests for a highly focused program on "Security", AIA National has established a new "Security" PIA and is providing a FREE Virtual Seminar, on Monday, November 5th - 1:00-2:30PM EST.

A panel of security and design specialists will address security issues in building design. Security design specialist Bob Craig, CPP, will provide an overview of security issues in building design, citing specific examples for each topic. Robert Barr, AIA will delineate the role of the architect in managing and integrating security issues into the building design process. Carol Ross Barney, FAIA, Michale Patrick, AIA and Denis Goeser, AIA will present studies of recent design projects with a high level of security needs, one focusing on new construction, and the other on renovation/retrofitting.

To REGISTER for the Virtual Seminar or to learn more about the seminar -- Go to <http://www.aia.org/pia/virtual/security/topics.html> -- Click on the "Registration" button on the right to register instantly.

UNUSUAL REQUESTS

A number of firms from the design and engineering community have contacted AIA to report recent or past requests for building plans that, in light of the attacks on September 11, 2001, appear unusual due to the structures identified in the requests or the type of information solicited. The American Institute of Architects and the National Society of Professional Engineers, in conjunction with the U.S. General Services Administration, are coordinating with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to provide design firms with information on this situation.

If you or anyone in your firm has received unusual or suspicious requests for information, please follow this link (<http://www.aia.org/letter/>) for details or guidance on contacting the FBI to report this request or to ask questions.

AIA NEVADA 2002 DIRECTORY

The AIA Nevada 2002 Directory is scheduled to be published and distributed to members in January.

To be certain that your contact information is correct and your listing accurate, please notify the AIA Nevada office. If you have moved...changed firms....have a new phone, fax or email address.. It is most important that you let us know.

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CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- 8 AIA Membership Meeting
 Reed Kroloff, Architecture Magazine
 "Architecture Las Vegas" Magazine
 6P, UNLV School of Architecture
- 20 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
 11:30A - School of Architecture
- 22 Thanksgiving Day
- 29 AIA Nevada Ex Com Meeting
 11:30A - School of Architecture

DECEMBER

- 11 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
 11:30A - UNLV School of Architecture
- 13 AIA Nevada Ex Com Meeting
 11:30A - School of Architecture
- 19 AIA Holiday Celebration
 6P - The Palms Resort
- 20-31 AIA office closed
- 25 Christmas Day

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The Palms Resort Casino - Designed to meet the demand for both the local as well as the high-end tourist market, this project is KGA's second Hotel / Casino for Maloof Family. It is Las Vegas's newest "destination getaway". Join us at the Palms on Wednesday, December 19th for the AIA Las Vegas Holiday Celebration.



AIA LAS VEGAS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DAVID FROMMER, AIA
PRESIDENT, AIA LAS VEGAS

Alas, we have come to the close of another year of AIA Las Vegas activity and revelry. I am proud to report the following status of our organization:

- * Our financial position heading into 2002 appears to have met planning projections, allowing the organization to move forward without unexpected burden;
- * Our sponsors had access to the most robust level of membership ever for AIA Las Vegas, with commensurately robust participation in programs and events;
- * Our year of programs and events were well attended and received. Particularly, we experienced exceptional attendance and success in our major programs this year;
- * Our scholarship endowment remains strong even in the face of uncertain economic conditions;
- * AIA Las Vegas had the most successful membership drive ever, with new records being set in membership levels and dues income;

These accomplishments are testaments to our exceptional membership, board of directors, committee chairs and staff. I salute all of you for your devotion and tenacity. I cannot mention all those who are responsible for the success of this organization and I cannot speak of the accomplishments of AIA Las Vegas without offering gratitude to Randy Lavigne and Kelly Lavigne. Without the countless hours of attention and the calm and patient demeanor of these two individuals, we could not develop or execute any of the worthy plans the membership and board puts into place.

This president's address also comes with one request for amends. To those of you who received unsolicited and fabricated (hopefully) humorous mention in president's addresses past, please accept my apologies for any and all gross misrepresentations. I beg of your eternal forgiveness.

With this president's address, I pass on the honorable task of composing future AIA Las Vegas president's addresses to Brandon Sprague. Brandon's deft hand and quick wit will undoubtedly continue to elevate the president's address into a forum of discourse and a messenger of thoughtful ramblings. Furthermore, in the coming year, I have unwavering confidence that Brandon will provide the utmost service to the membership, representing the membership honestly, vigorously and with good humor.

With Thanksgiving just behind us, I offer thanks to all members for allowing me to serve as 2001 President of the AIA Las Vegas. It has been an honor to make all efforts to act on behalf of the membership in guiding AIA Las Vegas. May you all have a peaceful and joyous holiday season and great success in the coming year.

NEW AIA MEMBERS:

We are very pleased to welcome these new members to the AIA Las Vegas Chapter.

Architects:

Majed Khater, AIA

Clark County Department of Aviation

Stephen Ranck, AIA

Tate * Snyder * Kimsey Architects

Associates:

George Bergman, Assoc. AIA

Bergman, Walls & Associates

Scott Leon Brown, Assoc. AIA

JMA Architecture Studios

BRIEFS:

Congratulations to Mike Purtill, AIA, newly licensed architect in the state of Nevada. Congrats also to James L. Werle, Principal at Converse Consultants for receiving his Nevada professional Engineer's (P.E.) license. R&O Construction has completed the first Nordstrom Rack Store in Nevada, located in the Silverado Ranch Plaza. Ninyo & Moore has been retained to provide materials testing and inspection services for the Wendell P. Williams Elementary School project.

At press time....Brandon and Denise Sprague are still waiting for their little "Sprague".

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

The Las Vegas Chapter of the Committee on the Environment will be having their first meeting on December 12, 2001. The meeting will be at Lucchesi, Galati Architects at 5:30 PM, which is located at 500 Pilot Road, Suite A in Las Vegas.

The Committee on the Environment promotes environmental leadership among architects, and seeks to make environmental considerations and sustainable design integral to the practice of architecture.

The intent of the meeting on December 12th will be to discuss the committee's mission, vision, and goals. In addition, it will be an excellent time to meet other individuals who are interested in sustainable development.

Please direct any questions or comments to Lance Kirk by phone or email at 263.7111 or ljkirk@lgainc.com

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AIA NEVADA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ED VANCE, AIA
PRESIDENT, AIA NEVADA



As we work through the next four to six months we will be asking our business colleagues and associates how they are doing and more importantly how their businesses are doing. The last few months have been difficult for some and uncertain for us all.

I imagine that each of us is watching the markets and economic indicators more closely than we have in the past. Absorbing and applying all that we hear in the news and the seminars that we attend to our businesses and marketing efforts. Although this is hard work, the effort will make us better for it.

The world hasn't stopped turning. Our work will continue. We must not forget that we serve and fulfill a very vital role in our society. Our state and local communities (North and South) are strong and more resilient than we know.

The major economic engine (gaming & tourism) that drives (for the most part) our local economies is alive and (fairly) well. Two new resort properties in Las Vegas will have been opened by the end of this year providing new jobs and adding a bit more steam to its economic engine. And although this in itself will not be enough, I am confident that Nevada's quality of life, low unemployment rate and tax structure will continue to draw new residents and companies (as they have in past) fueling our economy to further recovery.

But the recovery will take time. How much time I can not say. But what does this all mean to us in our everyday practices?

Three things come to mind: *Focus on what you do best, Listen harder to your clients and Make the architectural experience for your clients as rewarding as possible.*

Oh....and don't stop learning. That's where the AIA is invaluable. For example, security is now heavy on the minds of everyone including our clients. And in response, the AIA is hosting a conference January 10-13, 2002, in Albuquerque focused on security issues and design. It will address the challenges architects and building owners face in the mutual quest to protect the health, safety, and welfare of building occupants, visitors, and the public. I suggest you go to it.

In a recent AIA survey conducted after the September 11 terrorist attacks, 72 percent of respondents anticipated that their clients would request additional security features in design projects currently under development. This trend underscores the need for architects to be well-versed in the fundamentals of risk assessment and knowledgeable of the current array of products that reinforce "security by design."

This promises to be an excellent conference, but if you can't make it you can still go on line at www.aia.org and learn all about this subject. Recently the AIA launched its new Web-based Security by Design Resource Center, created to help AIA members assist their clients make the right decisions concerning building and site security, a concern heavy on everyone's minds these days.

Security is but one topic and there are so many more. My point is, be as knowledgeable about your client's business as you are about your own and you will go beyond being just an architect. *You will become their confidant. And that's one of the more valuable keys to success.*

As this is my final address I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve as your State President.

I hope to see you all at the Holiday Celebration on December 19th at the newly completed Palms Resort and Casino where I will be passing the gavel to next year's president Mark Johnson, AIA. Until then...

THE PALMS

Designed to meet the demand for both the local as well as the high-end tourist market, this project is KGA's second Hotel / Casino for Maloof Family. It is Las Vegas's newest "destination getaway".

The Palms includes 447-guestrooms, an eclectic mix of restaurants and bars, a spa and salon, movie theaters, a 1,500-person night club/entertainment venue, a 10,000 square foot banquet/conference facility and a 95,000 square foot casino. Located on a 32-acre site on Flamingo Rd. the Palms features a dramatic 42-story tower. The casino includes 2,400 slot machines, 55 table games, keno, poker and a race and sports book.

The property includes seven restaurants, five cutting edge bars, a 14 theater Cineplex, including an IMAX theater, an arcade. The Palms' tower holds 447 oversized guestrooms and suites all with extraordinary views of the Strip. The tower's glittering top will create a new Las Vegas icon and is home to an elegant and modern French restaurant and the Ghostbar ultra-lounge offering spectacular, open-air views of the Las Vegas Strip and the surrounding mountain ranges.

The Palms' resort-style swimming pool courtyard is richly landscaped and lined with bamboo cabanas, various restaurants with outdoor dining terraces and a pool-side bar. Overlooking the pool is a three-story, 18,000 square foot spa, salon and fitness center.

Unlike many other Las Vegas casinos, the Palms has no specific theme. Instead its design creates an exciting and inviting gaming and resort ambiance.

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DECEMBER HOLIDAY CELEBRATION AT THE PALMS BRING A GIFT.....AND BUY A GIFT

In the spirit of the season, AIA Las Vegas is hoping to benefit the Safe Nest Shelter by asking our members to contribute an item to the Safe Nest Gift Box, AND by purchasing an item from the Holiday Silent Auction. Safe Nest Shelter provides assistance for women and children who are victims of domestic violence. A portion of the money raised through our Holiday Silent Auction will be donated to the shelter. Gift items may be delivered to the AIA Office or you can bring them with you to the Holiday Celebration. Please bring an item or two ...a toy for a child ...a gift certificate to one of the local stores, and help to make someone's holidays a little brighter.

The end-of-the-year Holiday Celebration is being held at one of the newest and most exciting new hotels in Las Vegas -- THE PALMS - A KGA Architecture project. We'll have music, the induction of the new 2002 Board of Directors, thanks to all who have helped to make this a great year and ...a lot of laughs too.

The celebration will be held on Wednesday, December 19th with Reception & Silent Auction beginning at 6PM, Dinner at 7:30PM and the Program at 8:30PM. Sponsors for this great event are

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\$25.00 for Members/ \$75.00 Guests - The increased expenses of providing a nice Holiday Celebration for our members, has necessitated the addition of a \$25.00 charge for members to attend the December meeting. Guest charge will remain at \$75.00. So, for \$100.00 you and your guest can enjoy a fine holiday meal and celebration with your friends and associates, and the Chapter can provide an excellent meeting without going into debt to do so. Call the AIA office at 895-0936 to make your RSVP for yourself and your guest.

SECURITY IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

AIA National has published a new 24-page booklet entitled "Security in the Built Environment: A Primer for Architects and Design Professionals." This booklet - a product of the Institute's new security design resource center - is intended to help our members get a quick grasp of building security as it relates to architecture practice.

This primer will stimulate architects to think about security issues and to begin identifying information and tools that can help them enhance the security dimension of design. Briefly discussed are the functions of security; the definition of security needs through security assessment analysis; and strategies and design opportunities architects can use to respond to their clients' security needs.

The AIA Las Vegas office will have a limited quantity of these booklets available by December 1st. If your firm would like to receive one, please contact the AIA Las Vegas office, or go to the Building Security Through Design: An AIA Resource Center at www.aia.org.

CONTRACTS & DOCUMENTS AIA Las Vegas- Now A Full-Service AIA Documents Distributor

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GROWTH COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Growth Committee is considering reorganizing and refocusing their efforts under a new name -- The "Committee for Livable Communities and Urban Design". This committee will coincide with the AIA National Institute's committee of the same name. The purpose for this reorganization is to reflect the broader interests of the members and the community in making a liveable Las Vegas and Southern Nevada.

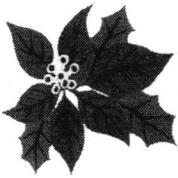
The next meeting is scheduled for 4:30PM on Tuesday, December 18th in the conference room at the AIA offices / UNLV School of Architecture.

At the December 18th meeting, the committee will discuss the new mission statement, potential educational speakers and activities for the coming year. Refreshments will be served.

All current Growth Committee members are encouraged to attend; and new members are certainly welcomed. If you have an interest in the areas of building livable communities, please plan to come and brainstorm with us.



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The AIA Las Vegas
HOLIDAY CELEBRATION & BANQUET
Wednesday, December 19th – 6:00PM
The Palms Resort

Reception & Silent Auction - 6:00PM / Holiday Celebration Dinner - 7:30PM
Installation of 2002 Board of Directors
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Recognition of all who have helped to make 2001 a wonderful year!

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BRING A GIFT.....AND BUY A GIFT

To Benefit the Safe Nest Shelter

In the spirit of the season, this year AIA Las Vegas is working to benefit the **Safe Nest Shelter**, that provides assistance for women and children who are victims of domestic violence.

A portion of the money raised through our Silent Auction will go to benefit the shelter.

PLUS, we are asking all attendees to bring a gift item to donate to the Safe Nest Gift Box.

Some of the items the shelter needs are listed below....please bring an item or two from the list....

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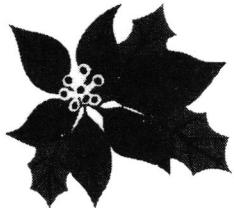
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2002 MEETINGS AND EVENTS

JANUARY MEETING LAS VEGAS: PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Let us begin the year by taking a look at where we are and how we got here, and what the future holds. The January Membership Meeting will bring together a historian, a planner, a noted reporter, a politician and a community leader in a panel discussion of our city's past, present and future.

In addition, we hope to provide exhibits of the City Hall projects for Las Vegas, Henderson and Mesquite.

The 2002 Intern Design Competition will be launched with a brand new design challenge; and we'll hear from Robert Tayco, the recipient of the 2001 award.

The meeting will be held at the Monte Carlo Hotel on Wednesday, January 16th. Reception at 6:00 in the Brewery Loft with Dinner served at 7:00PM and the Program at 8:00PM. Make plans to attend and get your AIA year started right. RSVP's are required for attendance - Call 895-0936 to make your reservation.

ADVISORS NEEDED

AIA High School Design Program

Want to lend your advice and expertise to a really beneficial AIA program? We need two advisors for the High School Design Program -- One to work with the students at Silverado and one to work with students at Centennial. You would be working with the drafting instructor at the school, and advising and guiding the students as they work on this year's design awards challenge. If you are interested, contact Eric Christensen, AIA - Chair of the High School Design Awards Program - 435-1150.

Each year AIA Las Vegas recognizes young design talent at 10-15 local high schools, with U.S. Savings Bond awards totaling over \$10,000.00. Put your experience and knowledge to work in a good area. Call Eric and become an Advisor in the program today.

COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER NEEDED

The AIA Las Vegas and AIA Nevada Chapters are in desperate need of a technology expert....a computer guru who has the TIME and can make the COMMITMENT to work with the Chapter to design and maintain our internet presence. This person would not only design the web pages, but would also provide innovative consulting on how our web presence can be enhanced and constructed to generate income for the Chapters. An proficiency in "E-Commerce" is necessary as well as a thorough knowledge of emerging technologies. Integration of current AIA publications - The Forum, monthly newsletter and Architecture Las Vegas Magazine - will also be included.

Estimated time commitment is 10 to 15 hours per week on a committed VOLUNTEER basis. So, if you are interested and would like to discuss further, please contact Randy Lavigne, Executive Director - 895-0936.

FEBRUARY MEETING "SHINING BROW" Frank Lloyd Wright Opera

Paul Kreider and the UNLV Opera Theatre will present this renowned opera about Frank Lloyd Wright on Wednesday, February 20th, for one concert performance only. Our AIA Las Vegas Membership meeting will be the reception just prior to the performance. All members are invited to attend. Reception location and arrangements for tickets will be advised as soon as confirmed. Please contact the AIA office at 895-0936 to make reservations to attend. The performance will be held at 8:00PM in Hamm Hall, UNLV Campus on Wednesday, February 20th.

This production of Shining Brow will be followed by three days of recording sessions for ARSIS Audio, which will release the world premiere full recording of the opera. The part of Frank Lloyd Wright will be sung by Paul Kreider, Associate Professor and Chair of the Music Department at UNLV. There are no other recordings of this opera. This performance will be the first to be recorded and provided for distribution nationally.

To help underwrite the costs of the production and the recording, sponsorships are being offered to individuals and firms in the architectural community. For \$1,000.00 (or more) the names of supporting firms will be included on the CD cover graphics. For \$1,000.00 (or less) supporting firms will be included in the printed program of sponsors. Please contact Randy Lavigne at 895-0936 if you would like to support this recording through sponsorship.

The opera is composed by Daron Aric Hagen, with Libretto by Paul Muldoon. *Shining Brow*, the translation of the Welsh Taliesin, is the name Wright gave to his homes in Wisconsin and Arizona. The period of time covered in *Shining Brow* includes some of the most tumultuous years of Wright's life, from 1903 to 1914. During the work, the scenes shift from the Cliff Dweller's Club in Chicago, where Wright's discarded mentor, Louis Sullivan appears, to a construction site in Oak Park, to Berlin, and then to Taliesin, where some of the most tragic events of Wright's life occur. The work portrays Wright's relationship with client, Mamah Cheney, who leaves her husband, Edwin, for the architect. Their affair is further complicated by the fact that Catherine, Wright's wife, refuses to grant him a divorce. Wright visits Sullivan in Chicago, and it is here that he learns that Taliesin has been destroyed by fire. Mamah has been killed, along with six other victims ---three were hatcheted to death by the madman who set the house on fire, Wright's chef, Jilian Carleton. As the opera closes, Wright imagines rebuilding Taliesin in Mamah's memory.



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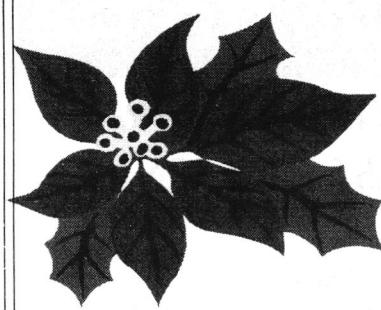
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- 11 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
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- 13 AIA Nevada Ex Com Meeting
11:30A - School of Architecture
- 19 AIA Holiday Celebration
6P - The Palms Resort
- 20-31 AIA office closed
- 25 Christmas Day

FEBRUARY

- 12 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
4:PM -School of Architecture
- 20 AIA Membership Meeting
Las Vegas: Past, Present, Future
6P - Monte Carlo /Brewery Loft
- 21 AIA Nevada Ex Com Meeting
11:30A - School of Architecture
- 27-Mar.3 GRASSROOTS - Washington, DC

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